

Oliver H. P.

Under Article H. Treaty of 11th June 1866.
with Creek Indians.

She undesignated, Topley Stedam a
Freedman, and Native of the Creek Nation, and a
Refugee, loyal to the United States, being duly
examined and sworn, (She understanding, and
conversing in the English language,) deposes
and says: That whilst he was living on his place
near the Point, about three miles from Port Gibson,
in the Creek Nation, and sometime in the month of
August 1863, he was compelled to abandon his home
in the night time by the Rebels under General Cooper.
That, at the time he so fled, he owned and possessed,
and did necessarily abandon and lose all the property
hereinafter enumerated, and that he has never since
recovered the same, or any part thereof: to say:

Three (3) Horses	\$100. \$50	\$50.	\$200.00
Fifty (50) Head Stock cattle	at \$10. each		500.00
Forty (40) Stock Hogs	" \$3. "		120.00
Three (3) Sheep.	" \$3 "		9.00
making a total value of			\$829.00

Eight hundred and twenty nine Dollars. And
further this dependent Saith unto -

other this dependent Smith wth. —
Asley Stidam, ^{his} ^X ^{mark}
Subcribed & signed at the Creek Agency, On
This 8th day of November A.D. 1869. 3
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15th. Oct. 1869. Post Lept. and Offrs.

South. Supt.

The undersigned, Zinah Grayson, and
Mitchell Beames, a Freedwoman and a Freedman, of
the Greek Nation, loyal Refugees, being jointly, duly
examined and sworn (they understanding, and
conversing in the English language,) do depose and
say: that, they are not interested in the claim of the
above named Topley Stedam, in any personal or pecuniary
manner whatsoever, that they have heard the foregoing
Affidavit read to them, and know its contents, and that
the same is correct and true; that, to their own knowledge,
the said Topley Stedam did, at the time stated in his deposi-
tion own and possess, and did necessarily abandon and
lose all the property therein named, and in the manner
stated by him. And further these deponents do not say.

Zinah Grayson; ^{her}
X
Mitchell Beames. ^{his}
X ^{mark.}
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me, at the Greek
Agency. On this 8th day of November A.D. 1869.

W.H. Oct. 1869. Post Lept. and Offrs.
South. Supt.

Award.

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also, the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is in some instances considered excessive:-

Upon inquiry it is found the values of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:-

Horses:-	One at \$50	=	20	\$25.00	Each
Battle, Stock			5.00	"	
Hogs, Stock			2.00	"	
Sheep:-			2.00	"	

In consideration of these, and all other facts attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant, Topley Stedam, One hundred and eighty six dollars:-

\$186 $\frac{00}{100}$

W. B. Hazen

Brevet Major General U. S. Army.
Supl. Indian Affairs. Southern Superintendence

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F. A. Field
Captain U. S. Army.
Creek Agent